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SUBJECT: CLEARANCE REQUEST FOR NASA LEAR JET - PROJECT

PORCUPINE

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1. BECAUSE AIRCRAFT MAY BE DELAYED IN ARRIVING GREECE DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS, AND TO ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR REHEARSAL FLIGHTS, NASA NOW PLANS DEPARTURE OF LEAR JET FROM U.S. AS EARLY AS MARCH 4 INSTEAD OF MARCH 8.

2. ALTERNATE ROUTING PLANS HAVE NOW ALSO BEEN DEVELOPED IF WEATHER REQUIRES.

3. FOLLOWING IS NEW PLANNED ITINERARY TO GREECE GIVING BOTH PRIMARY AND ALTERNATE ROUTING. ON FERRY FLIGHTS ONLY 4 WILL ACCOMPANY AIRCRAFT. REST OF PARTY WILL ARRIVE BY COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT.

PRIMARY ROUTE ALTERNATE ROUTE

MARCH 4

MINOT AFB, ND (RF) OFFUTT AFB, NEB. (RF)
CHURCHILL, MAN. CANADA OTTAWA, ONT., CANADA
(RERONHAN) (RERONHAN)

MARCH 5

FROBISHER NWT, CANADA (RF) FORT CHIMO, QUEBEC, CANADA(RF)
SONDRESTROM AB, GREENLAND SONDRESTROM AB, GREENLAND
(RERONHAN) (RERONHAN)

MARCH 6

KEFLAVIK, ICELAND (RF) KEFLAVIK, ICELAND (RF)
MILDENHALL, USAF, ENGLAND GREENHAM COMMON USAF, ENGLAND
(RERONHAN) (RERONHAN)

MARCH 7

BRINDISI/CASALE, ITALY (RF) AVIANO USAF AB, ITALY (RF)
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ATHENS, GREECE ATHENS, GREECE

NOTES:

(RF) - REFUEL ONLY
(RERONHAN) - REFUEL, RON, HANGER

4. NASA INVESTIGATING USE IN GREECE OF USAF SUPPORT BASE AT ATHINAI-ELLINIKON AIRFIELD MARCH 10-APRIL 4 WHICH WE

UNDERSTAND IS AT ATHENS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

5. LOCAL OPERATIONS FROM ATHENS MAY REQUIRE USE OF
BRINDISI/CASALE, ITALY OR ARAXOS/PATRAI, GREECE FOR
REFUELING AND WEATHER ALTERNATES.

6. FOR ALL ACTION ADDRESSES: PLEASE AMEND CLEARANCE
REQUESTS AS APPROPRIATE AND ADVISE.

7. POSTS PLEASE CONTACT APPROPRIATE MILITARY AUTHORITIES
TO ENSURE NECESSARY COORDINATION. CLEARANCE ENROUTE SHOULD
BE FOR PLUS OR MINUS 3 DAYS.

8. FYI: CHANGE TO MILITARY BASES ONE OF PURE ECONOMICS.
IF POSTS FEEL FOR POLITICAL REASONS USE OF COMMERCIAL
FIELD DESIRABLE NASA WILL ATTEMPT TO ACCOMMODATE. NASA
CAN SAVE GROUND EQUIPMENT AND HANGER RENTAL COSTS BY
USE OF MILITARY FACILITIES. END FYI

10. DURING TIME IN GREECE SCIENTIFIC REPRESENTATIVE OF
MAX PLANCK INSTITUTE FOR PROGRAM WILL BE GREEK NATIONAL
DR. IANNIS PAPAMASPORAKIS. INGERSOLL

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